

SENATE BILL 92

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By: **Senators Mooney and Brinkley**
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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Frederick County - Bond Rating Enhancement Reserve and Appropriation**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick
4 County to establish and maintain a bond rating enhancement reserve and
5 establish criteria for maintaining the reserve; stating the purpose of the reserve;
6 authorizing the County Commissioners to increase appropriations and expend
7 the increased appropriations; requiring the County Commissioners to establish,
8 by ordinance, criteria for increasing appropriations and expending the increased
9 appropriations and requiring the increase to be derived from the reserve or a
10 certain general fund; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the bond
11 rating enhancement reserve and appropriation in Frederick County.

12 BY adding to
13 Article 25 - County Commissioners
14 Section 221B
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

17 BY adding to
18 The Public Local Laws of Frederick County
19 Section 2-7-10 and 2-7-11
20 Article 11 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
21 (1979 Edition and April 2002 Supplement, as amended)

22 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
23 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

24 **Article 25 - County Commissioners**

25 221B.

26 IN FREDERICK COUNTY, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL
27 ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A BOND RATING ENHANCEMENT RESERVE.

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Article 11 - Frederick County

2 2-7-10.

3 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "RESERVE" MEANS THE BOND RATING ENHANCEMENT
4 RESERVE.

5 (B) THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL ESTABLISH A BOND
6 RATING ENHANCEMENT RESERVE AND SHALL:

7 (1) ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR MAINTAINING THE RESERVE; AND

8 (2) MAINTAIN THE RESERVE.

9 (C) THE PURPOSE OF THE RESERVE IS TO:

10 (1) ENHANCE, PRESERVE, AND SAFEGUARD FREDERICK COUNTY'S BOND
11 RATING; AND

12 (2) PROTECT THE FINANCIAL INTEGRITY OF FREDERICK COUNTY.

13 2-7-11.

14 (A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE BOARD OF COUNTY
15 COMMISSIONERS MAY INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPEND THE INCREASED
16 APPROPRIATIONS.

17 (B) PRIOR TO INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDING THE
18 INCREASED APPROPRIATIONS, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL:

19 (1) ESTABLISH, BY ORDINANCE, CRITERIA FOR INCREASING
20 APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDING THE INCREASED APPROPRIATIONS; AND

21 (2) REQUIRE THE INCREASE IN APPROPRIATIONS TO BE DERIVED FROM:

22 (I) THE UNAPPROPRIATED UNDESIGNATED GENERAL FUND
23 BALANCE REQUIRED UNDER § 2-7-1(A)(2) OF THIS ARTICLE; OR

24 (II) THE BOND RATING ENHANCEMENT RESERVE ESTABLISHED
25 UNDER § 2-7-10 OF THIS ARTICLE.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
27 effect July 1, 2004.